



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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January 25, 2008

Doug Robertson, Treasurer
South Carolina Republican Party
P.O. Box 12373
Columbia, SC 29211

Response Due Date:
February 25, 2008

Identification Number: C00034033

Reference: August Monthly Report (7/1/07 – 7/31/07)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 4 items:

1. The totals listed on Lines 21(a)(i), 21(a)(ii), 21(b), 21(c), 30(b), 30(c) and 32, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.
2. Please clarify all expenditures made for "Event Expenses/Banquet Facility" on Schedule(s) B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E or F supporting Lines 23, 24 or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate.
11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1
- 3 On Schedule H1 of your report, you have checked an incorrect fixed percentage for your allocated federal and non-federal administrative, generic voter drive and exempt activity costs. The fixed percentage for these costs is based on whether a Presidential and/or a Senate candidate appear on the State's ballot. Please amend your report to include a corrected Schedule H1 and note that a change in this ratio may make it necessary to repay your non-federal account for any overpayments that may

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have been made. While the Commission may take further legal action concerning any impermissible overpayments by the non-federal account, your prompt action will be taken into consideration. 11 CFR §106.7(d)(2) and (3)

4. On Schedule H2, you disclose the ratio for "Silver Elephant Event" to be new; however, Schedule H2 of your July Monthly Report (6/1/07 – 6/30/07) disclosed a ratio for this activity/event which is identical to the one given in this report. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy. 11 CFR §§104.10 and 104.17

-On Schedule H4 of your report, you have used an incorrect fixed percentage for your allocated federal and non-federal administrative, generic voter drive and exempt activity costs. By checking an allocation ratio with a lower federal percentage, you have inflated the amount of non-federal funds which you can transfer from your non-federal account to your federal account. Please amend your report to show the appropriate allocation ratio on Schedule H4. Please note that a change in this ratio may make it necessary to repay your non-federal account for any overpayments that may have been made. While the Commission may take further legal action concerning any impermissible overpayments by the non-federal account, your prompt action will be taken into consideration. 11 CFR §106.7(d)(2) and (3)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1393.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sylvette Seay".

Sylvette Seay
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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